IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (Currently amended) An isolated human protein hAMSH having, which is a signal transduction molecule for cell proliferation, and has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID No. 1.
- 2. (Previously presented) An isolated human gene encoding the human protein hAMSH of claim 1.
- 3. (Currently amended) A cDNA of the <u>a</u> human gene of claim 2, encoding a human protein hAMSH, which is a signal transduction molecule for cell proliferation, wherein the cDNA is selected from the group consisting of: which is
 - (a) hAMSH cDNA having the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID No. 2; and
- (b) hAMSH cDNA encoding a human protein hAMSH having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID No. 1.
 - 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Previously presented) A recombinant vector containing the hAMSH cDNA of claim3.
 - 6-14. (Cancelled)